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MONTANA SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 199

In Great Britain and 26 states across the US religious faithful are demanding special treatment themselves in jobs and political appointments and for their women and children in hospitals and schools. For example, special physical education classes have been requested for women so they may wear their burkas. Other requests have been made for special prayer rooms set aside in public schools so the faithful may leave classes to pray, plumbing installed in the prayer rooms to accommodate foot baths, and no other use be allowed for these rooms. Once these demands have been accommodated the faithful will request that the school kitchen comply with their religious requirements. In Montana, the faithful will use Section 4 individual dignity and Section 5 freedom of religion in the Montana Constitution and the First Amendment in the US Constitution to support their demands. They will also use Section 7 nondiscrimination in education to justify their actions.

http://freedomoutpost.com/2013/06/muslims-demand-get-prayer-in-public-schools-attacks-off-campus-bible-studies/

http://www.blessedcause.org/protest/Exposing%20the%20Council%20on%20Islamic%20Education.htm

http://propheciesoftheendtimes.com/?p=3062&cpage=1

Other faithful have sought to be recognized as a minority religion and minority members and thus receive special quotas in appointments to government and non-profit boards, hiring in the government and private sector, and civil rights. Again this is a use of the US and Montana Constitutions to profit from being a member of a non-mainstream religion. Members of Islam make up an estimated .61% of the US population.

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http://phys.org/news/2013-05-muslim-women-headscarfs-job-discrimination.html

The prayerful practice of a religion is different from demanding concessions for that religion as the latter falls into the political realm. Christianity and Judaism are singular religions whereas Islam is a dualistic religion in that it has a political side to it which is expressed in part as Jihad (warfare) and Sharia law. In the 13 years that Mohammed preached Islam in Medina he achieved only 150 converts but when he moved to Mecca,

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became a powerful warrior and added a political side to Islam he achieved an estimated 100,000 converts to Islam before his death 10 years later. Under Jihad (warfare against non-believers), Christians, Jews, and other faiths are invited to Islam, if they refuse they then must pay a tax (jizya), if they reject these two offers then they are beheaded. The first portions of the Koran written in Medina reflect a peaceful Islam whereas the greater portions written in Mecca reflect a violent Jihad based Islam. Mohammed wrote that if any section of the latter part of the Koran disagrees with earlier writings then the latest writing should be followed. Sharia law demands that every facet of our civilization must submit to it e.g. our schools, media, and all of our civil laws. Thus, Islam is a dualistic religion which features not only religious practices but also provides a law (Sharia) for everyone including non-believers (Kafirs). (1.)

(1.) Sharia Law for Non-Muslims, Bill Warner, Ph.D., Center for the Study of Political Islam, published by CSPI, LLC, www.cspipublishing.com

Mohammed knew that it would be impossible for his followers to strictly follow their beliefs in non-Islamic countries and so he provided a form of relief for them called **darura**. This practice allows the faithful to make up prayers later if they are not allowed to pray at work or school. According to Dr. Warner, Islamic demands are about "wants" and not necessities. "By banning Sharia law, no Muslim's needs are violated. We are restricting Political Islam, not restricting religious Islam." (Ibid, page 43.)

Another example of darura cited by Dr. Warner is the civil requirement to purchase insurance for the faithful's vehicles. Sharia law bans insurance of all types however; if Kafir law requires insurance then the faithful are allowed to purchase it.

Sharia law has been around for 1400 years whereas ours has only been here for just over 100 to 200 years (Montana and federal). Thus, in an Islamic view, Sharia law is superior to our civil laws and will be around much longer that our Kafir (non-believer) law. For the protection of our women, children, our freedom of religion, and federal and state laws and Constitutions I urge you to pass Senate Bill 199.

Sincerely,

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PS A vote for 5B 199 in a vote for Montona women. A vote against 5B 199 in a vote against Montona women.